

REGN OF TERROR AMONG NEGROES

Removal of Portion of Military Force Sets Springfield Blacks Wild Again.

EXODUS FROM CITY HAS BEEN RENEWED

Many Forlornly Tramping Country Roads, Until Driven Into Woods by Exhaustion. Many Anonymous Threats Are Received by Merchants.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., August 19.—Fear and terror prevailed in the homes of Springfield negroes today. The departure of two regiments of infantry, and the announcement that the military force would be reduced to a bare minimum, caused consternation among the blacks. "The mob will be here sure if those soldiers go away," they said, and delegations were hastily organized and sent to the State capital and city officials to protest against a relaxation of the military regime. The efforts of the authorities to quiet the alarm were only partially successful, and in many a humble home there was no sleep before dawn. Every footfall or challenge of a sentry sent quivers of fright among the anxious watchers.

Flying From City. Scores of the terror-stricken negroes sought refuge in the arsenal. Early in the evening almost twice as many applications for shelter had been received there as on previous nights, and about 300 colored people curled up in the corners of the balcony, sleeping on the floor or in chairs. The exodus of negroes, which had begun to abate, was renewed.

Threats and trolley cars were used by those lucky enough to possess a little money, but many of the unfortunate took to the road, tramping across the country in a drizzling rain, until exhaustion forced them to seek rest in cornfields or in woods. The children and women who were driven to the open suffered heavily, and it is feared that many of them will succumb to the hardships.

Adjutant-General Scott insists that there is no ground for the fear of the negroes. "There are plenty of troops to-night," he declared, "and the forces that will be available to-morrow are 1,500 men, can certainly protect the city against any mob that may form. Then, too, the presence of the large body of soldiers was intimidating some sections of the community, and there was an element of trouble there that could not be overlooked."

Grand Jury Working. This opinion was indorsed in other quarters. It was pointed out that the rioting was quiet before the late 1,500 men had reached Springfield, and that the attempts to renew lawlessness had occurred before the soldiers were thoroughly familiar with the territory they are now occupying.

It is asserted that 1,500 men can easily hold the advantage the larger body of troops has gained, and that the addition of the cavalry has increased the mobility to such a degree that the present force is more than adequate to maintain the full force of the law.

The special grand jury to-day examined nearly two score witnesses, but made no return of its findings. The usual precautions as to secrecy were maintained, and the identity and testimony of the persons who have appeared to give information against rioters have been carefully guarded.

Assistant State's Attorney Vincent, who has charge of the grand jury work, said to-night that some indictment or other return may be made to-morrow.

Troops Have Bad Day. Another clash between whites and negroes to-day, because the negroes refused to work beside each other unguarded. The shaft is in the neighborhood of the two which closed yesterday, and the trouble was claimed the same. The negroes were armed. The union officials are working in conjunction with the mine owners in an attempt to overcome the difficulty, but no strike has been declared because of measures which they might have upon the general situation.

The troops passed a comfortless day and night. A steady rain began in the morning and continued into the evening. Some of the companies quartered on the State house grounds moved to the corner of the building, but only a few were there, and the others preferred to sleep on the rain-soaked street. The duty was miserable, and the rain was a terrible work under the weather conditions.

Many Threats. Threatening anonymous letters, which began to arrive at the offices of officials as soon as the repressive measures began, increased in number to-day. These missives, but several merchants who have received similar communications are beginning to be alarmed. One grocer was warned that his place of business would be burned unless he discontinued the sale of provisions to negroes. To-night a small fire broke out in his establishment, but its location precluded the idea that it was incendiary.

Another receipt of anonymous threats is in the hands of J. B. Perkins, secretary of the Odd-Fellows' Building Association, and a prominent member of the Lincoln-Jefferson League. He was called to the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday. The letter writers took exception to his action in hiring a negro house painter, and threatened to burn the Odd-Fellows' Building.

Warning to Negroes. A troop of cavalry was sent to Eighth Street and Grand Avenue early to-night to remove an effigy which had been hung to a telegraph pole. A toy bomb was thrown and smashed with it, and to it had been fastened a placard bearing the inscription: "Niggers, beware!"

The plan is in the neighborhood of the Hallam and Bard homes, where the negroes Richardson and James are alleged to have committed the crime for which they have been indicted. The police are searching for the persons who hung the effigy, the act being considered as likely to lead to a riot.

Two Regiments Left. Only two regiments of State troops will be left in Springfield to-morrow night. At the conference in the Governor's office to-day, it was decided to release the Second Infantry from

GREAT NEW WARSHIPS

Florida and Utah May Be Equipped With 12-Inch Guns

WASHINGTON, August 19.—Designs for the new battleships authorized at the last session of Congress will probably be approved by September 1st. The plans are now being completed in the light of the developments of the recent conference of naval officers at Newport. Some suggestions of changes were heard at that conference and the changes are being made. It is said that though not radical, the alterations are material to the new ships. Upon completion of the plans they will be submitted to President Roosevelt for approval, and it is expected that by middle of September proposals for the construction of one of the vessels will be advertised for. The other ship is to be constructed at the Brooklyn navy yard, and the government is pending completion and approval of designs for the ships, which will be identical, no work will be done at the Brooklyn navy yard in preparation for the construction of the vessel which is to be built there.

This will be the Florida. Her sister ship, the Utah, will be constructed at some private yard. It is likely that the work on the two vessels will be begun about the same time. It will be necessary to some extent to enlarge the facilities at the Brooklyn navy yard before work on the Florida can be started, as the vessel will be nearly a hundred feet longer than any other built at the yard.

The main battery of the new ship is giving the Navy Department concern. A strong effort is being made to induce the authorities to equip the vessels in their main batteries with thirteen-inch guns, and it is not improbable that this calibre will be selected, although it is urged by the life of such guns is comparatively so brief as to render the adoption of them as unwarranted by all experience.

BRYAN'S MULE A KICKER

Self-Confident Newspaper Man Hurlled Through Air and Sorely Taken Aback.

FAIRVIEW, LINCOLN, NEB., August 19.—The advent to-day of the brick mule, which was presented to W. J. Bryan by the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, was marked by a curious incident. It was at a point which occurred in the afternoon. The mule and an Eastern newspaper correspondent were the central figures. When announcement was made of the fact that the particular correspondent presented, the mule was the first to ride it. To-day the opportunity came, with the result that the newspaper man to-night is nursing a sore head and bruised leg, and the mule, which had been trained to permit no one to ride it, Mr. Bryan witnessed the proceedings, and exhibited a good deal of solicitude for the writer. The mule was taken back to the stable and there is every likelihood that it will not be permitted to display any more of its talents.

Otherwise the day was without incident. When Mr. Bryan started on his ten days' trip to-morrow, he will take with him the mule, and the set speeches he will make during that time. He denied himself to all visitors to-day, and utilized every available moment in completing his work.

BOTH ARE PARDONED

Governor Releases Men Convicted of Killing Leader of Night Riders.

FRANKFORT, KY., August 19.—Following the intention to grant immunity to any one who was forced to kill while defending lives or property against night riders, Governor Wallace to-day granted pardons to Walter Duncan, convicted of shooting and killing Newt Hazlett, and to James H. Hazzlett, who was convicted of shooting and killing Newt Hazlett. Both men are prominent farmers. Hazlett was shot as he was riding along the road alone, and Hazzlett was a leader of the night riders. The Governor, in issuing the pardons, said: "No doubt the Duncan and Hazzlett were brave men, and did their duty. I do not know any more imperative call upon me to pardon than is presented in this case, as a recognition of the useful, honorable and brave part they had in unyielding individuality and in the face of violence and crime. I grant them full pardons."

ALL SEVENTY PERISH

Little Doubt Now as to Fate of Entombed British Miners.

WIGAN, August 19.—The worst fears have been realized about the explosion which occurred at the Wigan colliery yesterday. The entombed miners numbered about seventy, and it is impossible that any of them can have survived. Efforts at rescue, however, continue unceasingly. Thirty bodies were recovered to-day, and the work of the rescuers from the burning coal prevented the rescuing parties from reaching the others, which undoubtedly were alive only a few were brought to the surface to-day, but all were so blackened and mutilated that they were unrecognizable. At midnight an enormous crowd still was keeping a sorrowful vigil at the pit mouth.

NOT PORTSMOUTH MAN

Chief of Police Tynan Says Negro at Henderson Not Wanted for Murder.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, Va., August 19.—The Police Commissioner, J. B. Tynan, of Portsmouth, who went to Henderson, N. C., this morning, where a negro had been arrested on suspicion of being the murderer of the murdered of Patrolman Wininger, had a fruitless chase. The following telegram has been received: "Henderson, N. C., August 19th. 'J. B. Tynan, Mayor, Portsmouth, Va. 'Wrong man. Woman's head and but tattooed on one arm, cross on other. He is not Jim Strong.' (Signed) 'Chief of Police.'"

SAILOR WHO SENT PRESIDENT OBSCURE CARD NOT YET TRIED

NORFOLK, Va., August 19.—United States Post-office Inspector Bulla returned to-day from Washington, where he was called in connection with the case of the sailor boy, Arthur Jenkins, charged with sending an obscene postal card to President Roosevelt. No time has been fixed for Jenkins' preliminary hearing. The case appears to be postponed indefinitely. Jenkins is still detained on the Franklin.

MRS. WARDWELL A LEFER. GAINS HER FREEDOM

TOMBSTONE, ARIZ., August 19.—Mrs. Wardwell, the quarantined leper, widow of General W. L. Wardwell, escaped from her quarters last night, and she is supposed to have boarded a Southern Pacific train for California.

ROYAL SALUTE TO FLEET AT SYDNEY

Thousands of People Stay Awake All Night Awaiting Coming of Ships.

HALF MILLION THERE TO EXTEND WELCOME

Inspiring Sight as Great American Vessels Steamed Slowly Through Headlands in Double Column—Many Festivities Prepared for Visitors.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., August 20.—Early this morning a thin veil of smoke on the horizon signaled to the watchers on the coast the approach of the American warships, and a half million notification was sent out that the fleet had been sighted. It was yet twenty miles outside Sydney harbor, but this word, which had been awaited eagerly by tens of thousands, stirred Australians like a call to arms, and almost instantly those who had not already left the city to take up points of vantage along the bays were moving droves to line the quays, the rooftops and other places where they could get a view of the coming of the guardships of the new world.

Stayed Up All Night.

The day broke bright and clear and so intense was the interest in the American ships of war, that half the population remained awake all night, and thousands and thousands of them long before the night was over were on their way to the hilltops outside the city limits, where they congregated, awaiting the coming of the ships along the coast from Bondi Beach to Manly. It is estimated that not fewer than half a million people assembled to give the visitors a royal welcome.

The numerous bays, coves and beaches never looked more beautiful, nor did the American sailors ever witness a more inspiring sight than that which met their eyes as the white ships came through the channel past the great headlands into Port Jackson.

A hundred thousand people, the greatest single assemblage of all, gathered on the south heads, where a magnificent view of the whole scene was to be had. Hundreds of craft of all kinds moved up and down, and even at that early hour all the waters, with the exception of the fair way and the anchorages, were dotted with little and big vessels, decorated in every conceivable manner with flags and bunting.

Struck Bad Storm.

The fleet left Auckland at 8:15 o'clock Saturday morning, and with the exception of one day had fair weather all the way to Sydney. On Tuesday the ships encountered heavy winds, which threw up a stiff sea, greatly retarding the progress. Throughout Tuesday night the high seas caused the largest of the ships to roll at least twenty degrees, and the auxiliaries suffered even more severely. There was considerable discomfort for all the men, and the intervals between the vessels were increased to 600 yards. The formation, however, was not changed. No evolution was indulged in during this period, and the storm abated the following day, when the ships were about sixty miles from port.

Speed was then increased to twelve knots, and although the ships looked to have a wide margin of speed and power to make good their gliding sails, the fleet was attended by a convoy of steamers, and was greeted with a roar of salutes from the forts, as it moved slowly along.

The fleet added their cheers to swell the welcome, and countless British and American flags were flung to the breeze and were still waving long after the anchors had been swung from the sides.

The American ships boomed forth a salute to the port, and as soon as they were safely moored at their anchorages official visits were exchanged.

HITCH IN PROGRAM

International Trouble Brews in Marching of Sailors in Sydney.

LONDON, August 19.—A special dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Sydney says: "A sensational hint of international importance has arisen in connection with the ceremonial procession of the Australian sailors through the streets of Sydney on Friday."

CAMPAIN OF FRIENDSHIP

John W. Kern Declares Those of Both Parties Love War-Separated Banner.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., August 19.—At the Old Settlers' Reunion John W. Kern, Democratic nominee for the vice-presidency, made a short address, in which he said he favored a campaign of friendship. "We all love the same old starry banner, and remembering our love for the flag, let us go into the campaign as friends; let us fight campaign as friends, and let us come out of it as friends."

Mr. Kern had pleasant things to say about President Roosevelt. He related a story which greatly amused the audience. It was the incident of his meeting an old Republican friend one day.

"Do you like Roosevelt?" asked his friend.

"I like him pretty well," said Kern.

"And by the way, how do you like him?"

"Well," replied the friend, "I'd like him as much as I could if you didn't like him so well."

CORONER'S JURY IN HAINS CASE

Annis Came to His Death at Hands of Peter C., Aided by Thornton.

CAPT. HAINS GREATLY CONFUSED ON TRIAL

Verdict of Jurors Greeted With Enthusiasm by Crowd Which Packed Courtroom and an Effort Was Made to Applaud Decision.

NEW YORK, August 19.—After being out twenty-two minutes, a coroner's jury to-night brought in a verdict that William E. Annis, who was killed last Saturday at Bay Side, L. I., came to his death as the result of pistol shot wounds inflicted by Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., United States Army, aided and abetted by Thornton Jenkins Hains, his brother.

There was a greater crowd than the little court room in the town hall at Flushing, L. I., could hold when the inquest opened, and hundreds of men and women awaited the verdict outside. Although both the defense and the prosecution did not consider the inquest of much importance, since Captain Hains was the shooting, and there were many witnesses to it.

Crowd Gets Restless.

It was believed the jury would render its verdict without leaving the room, but when the jurors remained out for more than twenty minutes the spectators, many of whom were members of the Bay Side Yacht Club, became restless, and there were audible demands that a verdict be instantly rendered.

When the jurors filed into the room and the foreman announced the verdict, there was a demonstration. Coroner Ambler had to rap with his gavel, and the jurors remained in the room for more than twenty minutes before a verdict was announced.

Major John Powell Hains, who has come here from Chicago to stand by his brothers, and who sitting beside Captain Hains, gripped his brother by the arm, and whispered words of encouragement, assuring him that the inquest would have little bearing on his case.

In the excitement, a crowd gathered around the jurors, and Captain Hains, and began to question him as to the tragedy, in which he played such an important part. He was asked if he felt justified in holding a crowd at bay with a revolver. Before Hains could reply, John P. McIntyre, chief counsel for the brothers, rushed to his side and shouted: "No, no, don't answer that question."

Clapped Client Over Mouth.

In his efforts to prevent Hains from answering the juror's question, his hands over his client's mouth, and was probably just in time to prevent the prisoner from committing himself. Only two witnesses were called. They were Charles H. Robertson, a Pushing, who testified that he was standing on the club house float when he heard the report of a pistol shot, and saw Captain Hains in a kneeling position, clinging to the dropping body of Annis, as he emptied the contents of his revolver into it, and Coroner's Physician Walter G. Frey, who testified that Annis came to his death from the bullet wounds, and that the brother had initial wounds and twelve secondary wounds, which would indicate that the captain fired nine shots.

In cross-examining Mr. Robert Lawler McIntyre asked him if Captain Hains had finished shooting when he tried to go to his aid and was stopped by Thornton Hains, who held a revolver in his face. The witness said that the shooting had not stopped, and that the brother had time to interfere had not Thornton Hains prevented him.

Mr. McIntyre asked him if he had heard the expression in Thornton Hains' eyes at the moment before the question could be answered. The witness said that he had not.

Before going out, one of the jurors demanded that the brother be put into the witness box, which he refused to comply, and ordered the jury to decide upon a verdict. His charge simply cited the lines to which the jurors must confine themselves in considering the case.

There were about forty witnesses in the room, but they were not needed on the stand.

Confession Born Fide.

Before the inquest, John F. McIntyre, chief of counsel for the Hains brothers, made the following statement to the Associated Press representative: "In answer to the statement made by Mrs. Hains that she was made to sign a confession while under the influence of drugs, I wish to say that neither she nor her distinguished brother have told me that there were four witnesses present when the confession was made, one of them being a prominent lawyer. These witnesses were not at the trial. I am also will testify at the trial. I saw several persons regarding the incidents related in the confession some time before she made it, and these persons will be called, but Coroner Ambler refused to comply, and ordered the jury to decide upon a verdict. His charge simply cited the lines to which the jurors must confine themselves in considering the case."

When Captain Hains was called back from the Philippines, he questioned his wife regarding rumors he had heard about her, and he became convinced that his suspicions were wrong. Later, he said, facts developed which made him demand the confession.

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WEATHER.

Rain, followed by fair and cooler.

MILLIONS BURNED BY FOREST FIRES

Northwest Being Swept by Wall of Flame That Cannot Be Checked.

NANAIMO THREATENED, BUT IS FINALLY SAVED

Ladysmith, Another Mining Town, Was Also Threatened for a Time, and at One Point Twenty Miles of Timber Are Blazing Steadily.

VICTORIA, B. C., August 19.—Fierce forest fires that caused damage to timber likely to total millions of dollars are reported from several parts of Vancouver Island, and a wireless telegram from Point Grey says a large forest fire is raging on the east side of Bowen Island.

Nanaimo, a coal mining city of 8,000 inhabitants, is threatened by fires which have kept the fire brigade constantly at work since last night. A dangerous blaze attacked a large area of brush in the city, but it was extinguished. Two tramps are alleged to have started the blaze. The city was saved only by a shift of wind.

For a time yesterday Ladysmith, another island mining town, was threatened by a forest fire. The fire, which was still burning, threatened to spread to the city. The fire was extinguished by the fire brigade.

Settlements Threatened—Many Ranchers May Have Lost Lives. WINNIPEG, August 19.—Forest fires on Vancouver Island are spreading in every direction, and the latest reports indicate that the settlements are threatened. In Koksilah district twenty square miles are ablaze.

The fate of the scattered ranchers is unknown. The flames are advancing on Goldstream, and 150 inhabitants are back-firing to save the villages.

Several lumber camps have been wiped out. A dense pall of smoke hangs over fifty square miles, and only a soaking rain can arrest the march of the flames. Some of the best timber in the province has been laid in waste, and a severe blow has been dealt to the lumber industry.

Telegraph and telephone messages state that the eastern side of Bowen Island is a mass of fire. Eighty people are living in a scattered settlement in the section which has been swept by the flames, but it is impossible to ascertain their fate.

AUTO QUICK TO SAVE LIFE

Girl's Descent in Front of It Sends Machine Careening Amid Trees.

POTTSVILLE, PA., August 19.—Just as Miss Carrie Culver alighted from her car here to-day, she stepped directly in the path of an automobile touring car, containing three ladies, driven by the owner, Thomas M. Reed. The car, coming along at a rapid speed, hundreds looked for the girl, who collapsed from fright, to be killed, but the auto was thrown upon the pavement, and the steps of the Miners' Bank by an almost superhuman effort which saved her life.

Bernard Campbell, a Philadelphia and Reading engineer, who was driving the car, was badly hurt. After running half a block the machine, beyond control, drove through a network of trees, finally smashing its delivery outfit, and the car was wrecked.

Mr. Reed was thrown from the car, and a severe blow to the head was sustained. He was taken to the hospital, and his condition is serious.

KIDNAPPED CHILD FOR DEBT

Costs Groceryman .85 and Mother Did Not Pay Anyhow.

WILKESBARRE, PA., August 19.—In order to collect a bill, Groceryman John Barnish, of the city, kidnapped the baby of his debtor and was this morning arrested because the police do not approve of his novel method of collection.

In the Police Court it was learned that Mrs. John Crancel, of Parsons, owned a baby, some one which was unable to collect, and to-day when he found her visiting friends near his store he kidnapped the child. He was great with the young mother in his possession, and Mayor Kniffen, deciding that he had not shown malicious intent, but only expected the woman to pay her bill, let her go. The child had fled Barnish's and costs The woman did not pay the bill.

CRAZED BY MOSQUITOES

Philadelphian Found Wandering in Jersey Woods.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., August 19.—Crazed by attacks of swarms of mosquitoes, James Ryder, of Philadelphia, was found wandering in the woods near Absecon to-day and taken to the county asylum. Ryder had made his way into the deep pines while under the influence of liquor, and was so badly stung by the pests that he was unable to move when found. Philadelphia friends have been notified and will come here to take charge of the unfortunate man.

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD A HEBO

Jumps Into Lake and Saves Life of Girl a Year Younger.

ALTOONA, PA., August 19.—Falling from the Casino at Lakemont Park into the lake, Marion McCloskey, aged ten, sank in five feet of water, and would have drowned had it not been for William Replogle, aged eleven, who boldly plunged into the water, seized the unconscious girl by the clothing and dragged her ashore.

RIOT IN ATLANTA

Troops Called to Quell Troops After Fight With Police.

ATLANTA, GA., August 19.—Late today police reserves were called to the terminal station to quell a riot that broke out among United States regulars en route from Fort Slocum to the Pacific coast. When the local officers were unable to curb the soldiers, a call was made upon Fort McPherson for troops, and Captain Bankhead, with a company of regulars, responded hurriedly.

The trouble started early in the afternoon, when a number of soldiers broke out of their cars, which were on the sidewalk, and began annoying passengers entering trains. Officer Hill, of the local police force, knocked one of the soldiers down, and then the trouble became general. The station was a scene of confusion, and the soldiers were being driven back by the police.

During the fighting a soldier named Frank Smith was seriously stabbed. Joseph A. Bleak, another soldier, was placed under arrest. At 6:30 o'clock the officers had the men under control in their cars, and it is believed the riot was sufficient to prevent further trouble. The wildest excitement prevailed at the terminal station during the riot, and many women became hysterical.

EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY

Francis Joseph Celebrates His Seventy-Eighth Anniversary at Vienna.

VIENNA, August 19.—The celebration of the seventy-eighth anniversary of the birth of Emperor Francis Joseph yesterday was made the occasion of patriotic festivals in the capital and throughout Austria and Hungary. All the towns and villages of the dual monarchy were gaily decorated. Te Deums were celebrated in all the churches, and military parties and popular festivities were held everywhere.

In accordance with the desire of His Majesty, a large proportion of the funds collected for celebrating the event will be devoted to founding philanthropic institutions in various parts of the country.

The Emperor received innumerable tokens of congratulation, including messages from all the heads of Europe and States, and from President Roosevelt, while from all foreign capitals came reports of the Emperor's jubilee, and the Emperor's jubilee.

The Emperor instituted a new decoration, "The Jubilee Cross," for army and state officials; bestowal of the royal list of titles and decorations, and granted amnesty affecting 50,000 minor and 700 serious offenders. The Emperor himself, according to the custom, presided at the celebration of the Emperor's jubilee, and the Emperor's jubilee.

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BOTH KILLED THEMSELVES

Petty Quarrel Cost Lives of Couple in New York.

NEW YORK, August 19.—Believing her husband was about to leave her for good, Mrs. Edward H. Hacker committed suicide to-day by shooting herself. The husband, who had told her good-bye after a series of altercations, and started from the Hague apartment house, where they lived, upon beholding the lifeless body of his wife he was overcome with grief and remorse, and, locking the door of the apartment, he placed a bullet in his own temple, and ended his own life by shooting himself three times. When the superintendent of the buildings and employees broke down the door they found his hand and arm clamped about the woman's neck and his lips close to her cheek, as though he died while trying to kiss her.

For a day and a night Hacker and his wife had been quarreling. They had been married a little less than two years, and it seems Hacker was insanely jealous.

Hacker is said to have served as a captain in the Spanish-American War, and was discharged with the rank of Major. He was a native of New York, and a letter addressed to the father was found in Hacker's coat. Mrs. Hacker came of a Louisville (Ky.) family.

CUTTING WAGES IN ENGLAND

Cotton Operatives Must Accept Reduction or Be Locked Out.

MANCHESTER, August 19.—The Lancashire federation of cotton spinners has decided to reduce the wages of operatives 5 per cent. If the men decline to accept the reduction they will be locked out for a month. The federation has decided to accept the reduction of 5 per cent. If the men decline to accept the reduction they will be locked out for a month. The federation has decided to accept the reduction of 5 per cent. If the men decline to accept the reduction they will be locked out for a month.

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TO WORK FOR BRYAN

Southern Democrats Now New York Have Formed Association.

NEW YORK, August 19.—More than 100 former Southern Democrats, now to-day, organized under the name of "The Association of Southern Democrats," have decided to support William Bryan in the coming election. The association has decided to support William Bryan in the coming election. The association has decided to support William Bryan in the coming election.

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TERRIFIC STORM SWEEP OVER CITY

Lightning Started Many Fires, Trees and Windows Being Smashed by Wind.

EXCURSION TRAIN KEPT OUT ALL NIGHT

Stampede at Idlewood as Crowd Rushed from Theatre—Petit's Store Struck Twice in Week, Firemen Saving It After Struggle.

VISITED by the most severe electrical storm since Richmond has seen this summer—surpassing even that of last Saturday, when considerable damage was done—the city last night suffered a severe and on the other several places were struck by lightning, and there was one fire; windows were smashed, trees were blown down, a wild flurry of excitement was caused in Idlewood Park, produce in the markets was washed away, and a barn in Henric county was burned to the ground, and all its contents totally destroyed.

Begun at 9:30 o'clock, the storm raged with unabated fury until a few minutes after 10 o'clock, when the clouds began to lighten and the terrific downpour decreased. The short time great damage had been inflicted in various parts of the town.

While the electrical display was at its height, lightning struck for the second time in a week Petit and company's furniture store, at Fousher and Broad Streets, flaring down the main electric wire, and cutting a hole through the ceiling. All the gas piping burst, and in a moment the upper story was a mass of flames.